

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
AGENDA NO. 15-01-13**

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For Work Week Commencing: January 12, 2015
Commission Meeting: January 13, 2015, 9:00 a.m.

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9:00 a.m. Weekly Scheduling (Commission Conference Room – No Web Audio Feed)

9:30 a.m. Business (Bollinger Room)

Public Comments

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. Approval of Commission Minutes (Aleisha)

Approval of the Commission Minutes for the week of January 5, 2015

2. Out-of-state staff travel (Kate)

Staff requests approval of the travel request for Mike Dalton to attend the Grid School 2015 program sponsored by Michigan State University's Institute of Public Utilities, March 9-12, 2015, in Chicago. Probable Motion: Move to approve the travel request.

3. Bull Mountain Sanitation LLC T-15.1.PCN TA (Nickie)

Bull Mountain Sanitation LLC, Melstone, Montana is requesting temporary operating authority authorizing the following:

Class D – Garbage between all points and places in Musselshell County, Montana. LIMITATION: Service within the town of Roundup, Montana is prohibited.

The temporary authority application was accompanied by the required permanent authority request. The temporary authority request and the accompanying permanent authority request were noticed to the public in the January, 2015 Monthly Notice. Probable Motion: Unknown

Work Sessions All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated.

1. D2013.5.33/D2014.5.46 – NorthWestern Energy – 2012-2013 / 2013/2014 Electricity Supply Trackers – Discuss and act on the Motion for Protective Order and Motion to Intervene filed by Siemens Energy, Inc. (1/13/15)
2. Legislative – Discuss bills relevant to PSC mission, statutory authority, administrative process and general agency concerns; discuss PSC budget requests/presentation; consider staff analysis and recommendations; provide direction on PSC response to bills. (1/13/15)

3. **1/12, at 1:30 p.m., 1/14, 1/15, 1/16, at 8:30 a.m.** - Legislative - Discuss bills relevant to PSC mission, statutory authority, administrative process and general agency concerns; discuss PSC budget requests/presentation; consider staff analysis and recommendations; provide direction on PSC response to bills. (1/12, at 1:30 p.m., 1/14, 1/15, 1/16, at 8:30 a.m., Bollinger Room – live webcast – not archived)

Other Meetings

1/14/15 1:15 p.m. – Commissioner meeting with Energy Keepers, Inc. representatives (Commission Conference Room – no web audio feed)

Weekly Scheduling, Review of Monthly Calendars, and Docket Status Updates (if requested by a Commissioner).

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1. Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. D2015.1.1 (Elizabeth)

On December 31, 2014, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc. ("MDU") filed a revised tariff sheet entitled Thermal Zone Boundaries (Volume No. 6, 8th Revised Sheet No. 4) for Commission approval. Changes in the tariff reflect a change in the current Heating Zone 22. WBI Energy has informed MDU that two new heating zones have been added to WBI Energy's system (Zone 221 and 222) that were previously part of Zone 22.

Protective Orders – Notice Items The Commission has received the following requests for protective order pursuant to ARM 38.2.5007. Comments on the requests may be submitted at any time prior to ruling. Copies of these requests may be viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://psc.mt.gov>

Protective Orders – Information Items The Commission has issued the following protective orders. These orders may be challenged pursuant to ARM 38.2.5008. Copies of these orders may be viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://psc.mt.gov>

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

New Filings Received in Past Week

N2014.12.100 – HLH LLC - Tariff Filing - General Tariff Conditions; Main Extension Rules

D2015.1.1 - Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. - Heating Zone Boundary Changes

N2015.1.2 – PSC Initiated - 2015 Montana ETC Lifeline Certification

N2015.1.3 – PSC Initiated - 2015 Annual Line Moving Charges - Compliance Filings

N2015.1.4 – PSC Initiated - 2015 Renewable Portfolio Standard Compliance Reporting